

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 2 and 7 are amended as set forth hereinafter.

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Cancelled).

2. (Currently Amended) A closed level control system for a vehicle having a vehicle body, vehicle axles and pressurized medium chambers with which the vehicle body is suspended relative to corresponding ones of said vehicle axles, the closed level control system comprising:

pressurized medium supply vessel means having first and second pressurized medium spaces for holding a medium under pressure as a pressurized medium;

said first and second pressurized medium spaces having no direct connection therebetween;

a compressor for transferring said pressurized medium between said pressurized medium supply vessel means and said pressurized medium chambers;

said compressor having an input and an output;

first and second controllable directional valves and each one of said valves having at least two switching states comprising a first and a second switching state; and,

said first controllable directional valve being switchable
to connect either said first pressurized medium space or said
20 second pressurized medium space to said compressor input or to
said compressor output so that pressurized medium from said
pressurized medium chambers can be transferred into said first
pressurized medium space or into said second pressurized medium
space or pressurized medium from said first pressurized medium
25 space or from said second pressurized medium space can be
transferred to said pressurized medium ~~chambers~~, chambers;

wherein said pressurized medium is pressurized air and said
system further comprises:

a first pressurized air line connecting said first
30 controllable directional valve to said input of said compressor;

a second pressurized air line connecting said output of said
compressor to said second controllable directional valve;

a third pressurized air line connecting said input of said
compressor to said second controllable directional valve;

35 a fourth pressurized air line connecting said output of said
compressor to said first controllable directional valve;

said pressurized medium chambers being connected to said
second controllable directional valve;

said first pressurized air line being switched through by
40 said first controllable directional valve in said first switching
state thereof and said second pressurized air line being switched
through by said second controllable directional valve in said
first switching state thereof and said fourth pressurized air
line being blocked by said first controllable directional valve
45 in said first switching state thereof and said third pressurized

air line being blocked by said second controllable directional valve in said first switching state thereof when pressurized air is transferred from one of said first and second pressurized medium spaces into one of said pressurized medium chambers;

50 said third pressurized air line being switched through by said second controllable directional valve in said second switching state thereof and said fourth pressurized air line being switched through by said first controllable directional valve in said second switching state thereof and said first
55 pressurized air line being blocked by said first controllable directional valve in said second switching state thereof and said second pressurized air line being blocked by said second controllable directional valve in said second switching state thereof wherein pressurized air is transferred from one of said
60 pressurized medium chambers into one of said first and second pressurized medium spaces;

 a third controllable directional valve interposed between said first controllable directional valve and said pressurized medium spaces and said third controllable directional valve
65 likewise having at least two switching states comprising a first and a second switching state;

 said third controllable directional valve being switched into said first switching state thereof to provide a connection from said first controllable directional valve to said first
70 pressurized medium space and to block a connection to said second pressurized medium space; and,

 said third controllable directional valve being switched into said second switching state thereof to provide a connection

75 from said first controllable directional valve to said second
pressurized medium space and to block a connection to said first
pressurized medium space.

3. (Original) The closed level control system of claim 2,
wherein said first pressurized air line and said third
pressurized air line conjointly define a common connecting point;
and, wherein said closed level control system further comprises:

5 a first check valve mounted in said first pressurized air
line between said common connecting point and said first
controllable directional valve and said first check valve being
disposed so as to be open toward said input of said compressor;
and,

10 a second check valve mounted in said third pressurized air
line between said common connecting point and said second
controllable directional valve and said second check valve being
open toward said input of said compressor.

4. (Previously Presented) The closed level control system of
claim 2, wherein said first and second pressurized medium spaces
of said pressurized medium supply vessel means are separate first
and second pressurized medium supply vessels.

5. (Previously Presented) The closed level control system of
claim 2, wherein said first and second pressurized medium spaces
have different pressure levels.

6. (Previously Presented) The closed level control system of

claim 2, wherein the pressure in at least one of said first and second pressurized medium spaces is greater than the maximum actual compression end pressure of said compressor.

7. (Currently Amended) The closed level control system of claim 2, further comprising an additional air line connected into one of said pressurized airlines of said system to facilitate control of an external apparatus utilizing the pressure in at least one of said first and second pressurized medium spaces; and, the residual pressure in the other one of said pressurized medium spaces being available to execute a level change of said level control system directly after an external control ~~operations~~ operation.

8. (Original) The closed level control system of claim 7, wherein said external apparatus is a tire inflating device.

9. (Previously Presented) The closed level control system of claim 2, further comprising:

an air dryer mounted in said fourth pressurized air line;

an air inlet/air outlet;

an intake line ending at said air inlet/air outlet and connecting said input of said compressor to the atmosphere via said air inlet/air outlet;

an additional controllable directional valve switchable between a base position wherein no throughflow is permitted and a switched position wherein throughflow is permitted to said air inlet/air outlet;

said second pressurized line branching off from said fourth
pressurized air line at a branch point between said output of
said compressor and said air dryer and ending at said additional
15 controllable directional valve; and,

said pressurized medium supply vessel means being
connectable to the atmosphere via said air dryer and said second
pressurized line when said additional controllable directional
valve is in said switched position thereof.

Claims 10 and 11 (Cancelled).